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NO HK TRIP Two million elvers (young eels) like those in this photo have been confiscated at Ninoy Aquino International Airport. Contained in two plastic bags, the baby eels were supposed to be shipped to Hong Kong despite a ban on their export due to their declining number. The elvers are smuggled out of the country to be grown as adults and cooked into a favorite dish that supposedly provides added stamina for men. (See story below.)

Asean in a dilemma over US-Sino rivalry

SEA states wooed by big powers

A TUG-OF-WAR between the United States and China over influence in Southeast Asia is proving to be a critical test for Washington's "pivot" to the Asia-Pacific region as Beijing strengthens its economic and military clout in its own backyard.

Member-countries of the Association of South East Asian Nations (Asean), one of the world's fastest growing regions, are weighing up how to play their cards as the United States plays catch-up with the Chinese juggernaut and tries to reassert itself in Asia.

Washington's recent flurry of engagement with Asean states—from the

ASEAN / A20

Quiet diplomacy worked for Cory, Jabar reminds P-Noy / A20

Flash point heightened by secret diplomacy

By Amando Doronila

THE CABINET meeting on Thursday left the country in suspense over how soon the Aquino administration will send ships back to Panatag (Scarborough) Shoal to reassert the Philippine claim over disputed territories in the West Philippine Sea (South China Sea) amid expanding Chinese maritime incursions in the area.

ANALYSIS

Since President Aquino ordered back home a Coast Guard ship and a Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources vessel—both not naval gun-

FLASHPOINT / A20



UNIFICATION FIGHT Nonito Donaire Jr. throws a right against South African Jeffrey Mathebula in the 11th round of their title unification bout at Home Depot Center in Carson City, California. Donaire won by unanimous decision.

Donaire unifies super bantam titles

By Marc Anthony Reyes

CARSON, California—As darkness fell on their outdoor battlefield, Nonito Donaire Jr. chased after Jeffrey Mathebula like a hungry predator looking for a quick kill.

He ended up running after his elusive, wounded prey until the final bell.

With everybody expecting a knockout win, Donaire had to settle for a unanimous decision over the tall South African on Saturday night (Sunday morning in Manila), unifying the World Boxing Organization (WBO) super bantamweight title that he already owns and Mathebula's International Boxing Federation (IBF) crown.

"One more belt and I'm off to go

DONAIRE / A31

HK-bound baby eels intercepted

IT WAS a trip that would have brought ill effects to the long-term survival of an eel species found in the Philippines.

Thanks to quarantine officials, some 2 million baby eels hidden in freight at Ninoy Aquino International Airport (Naia) were discovered on Sunday, preventing their trip to Hong Kong.

The eels were stored in plastic bags filled with water and hidden in 46 boxes, said Ben Cunanan, head of the fisheries quarantine division at Naia.

Each box contained eight plastic bags filled with baby eels, which cost P22,000 per kilogram.

EELS / A19



Iglesia breaks 3 Guinness records

By Donna Cueto-Ibañez
Contributor

"YOU ARE now officially amazing!"

With this declaration, Guinness world record's official adjudicator Tarika Vara certified that the ama-

IGLESIA / A11

FILIPINO WAR BRIDES

Their plight ends in equality

By Michael Lim Ubac

(Last of two parts)

THE STORY of the war brides' experiences is replete with accounts of abandonment, neglect and discrimination.

Historian Caridad Concepcion Vallangca, in her book "The Second Wave: Pinay & Pinoy (1945-1960)," narrated the plight of some brides who did not make it to the United States as their GI (government issue) husbands did not file the requisite application for emigration to America.

Other brides were either "unclaimed" upon arrival in US ports or were "unwelcome" by their in-laws.

After independence, the US bases in the Philippines, which remained until 1991, provided another chance for the GIs and Filipinas to interact and develop interpersonal relationships. Some sexual relationships led to marriages for three main reasons.

First, the US presence ensured interracial mixing. Historian Maria P. Root said as much in her book "Filipino Americans: Transformation and Identity."

"The US military presence in the Philippines guaranteed continued racial and cultural mixing for Filipinos. In a patriarchal structure, the colonized is

THEIR / A6

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Bishops start drive vs mining EO

THE PRESIDENT is set to announce his administration's new mining policy today but the Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines (CBCP) has already started a signature campaign calling for a moratorium on its implementation.

Church-led protest

Palace appeals to public

Local execs to sue




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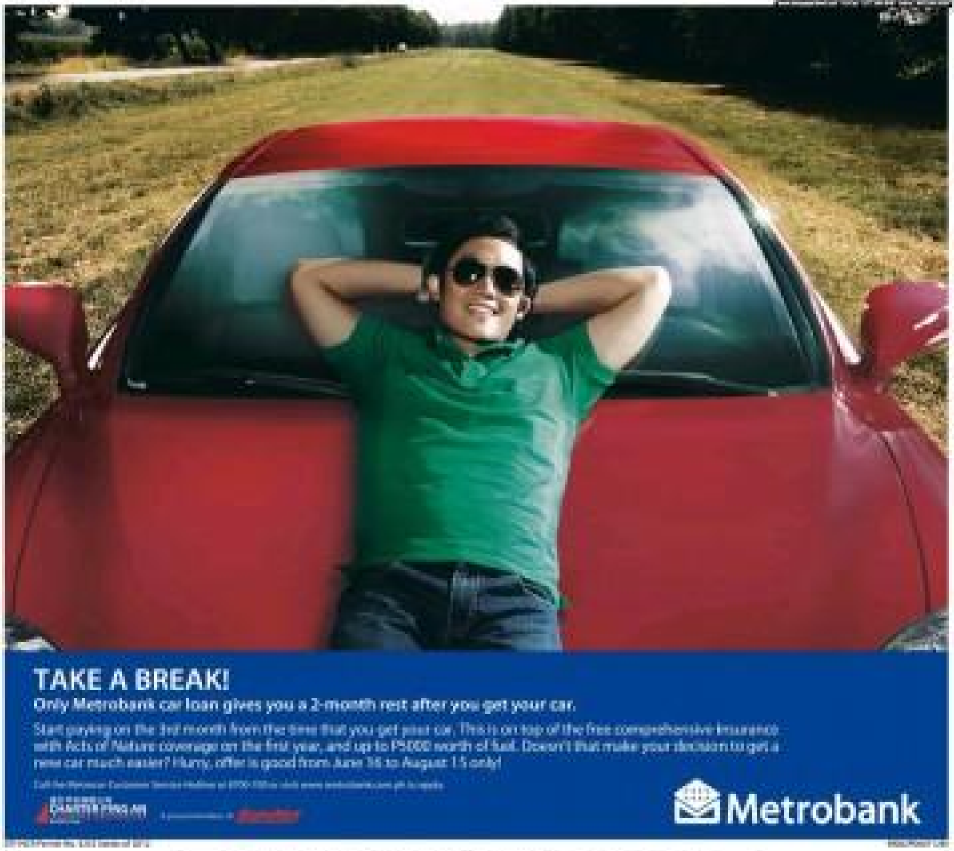
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NPA frees 3 mining execs

SC OKs trial of Sunvar case

By Marlon Ramos

THE SUPREME Court has green-lighted the trial of a civil case filed by the government against Sunvar Realty Development Corp. involving the latter's lease contract for a 2.9-hectare prime property in Makati City.

In a 21-page resolution, the high court overturned the Dec. 1, 2010, ruling of the Makati City Regional Trial Court which stopped the Makati City Metropolitan Trial Court from hearing the unlawful detainer case for lack of jurisdiction.

Sunvar, owned by Prieto and Rufino families, said it would seek a clarification of the ruling from the tribunal, saying the realty firm had the exclusive option to extend for another 25 years under the same terms of its 25-year lease contract for the Mile Long property which expired in December 2002.

The case was filed by the government and National Power Corp. (Napocor) through the Office of the Solicitor General, then headed by Agnes Devanadera, a known ally of then President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, giving rise to suspicions her administration was out to harass the Prieto and Rufino families who also own the Inquirer.

The government, which wanted to change the terms of the extended lease agreement, is seeking to collect over P450 million in rentals and damages from Sunvar.

In recalling the Makati RTC's decision, the high tribunal said the lower court erred when it declared that the period within which the government should have filed the case had already lapsed.

The Makati RTC "should have dismissed outright . . . Sunvar's petition considering that it is a prohibited pleading," the tribunal said in the decision written by Associate Justice Ma. Lourdes Sereno.

"The court finds that petitioners (the government and Napocor) correctly availed themselves of an action for unlawful detainer, hence, reverses the ruling by the Makati RTC," it added.

Sunvar had been occupying the property, located at the corner of Amorsolo Avenue and Dela Rosa Street, on the basis of a sublease agreement with the Technology Resource Center Foundation Inc., which was granted by the government to lease the area from Jan. 1, 1978 until Dec. 31, 2002.

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Racial, cultural biases

'Rich, powerful GIs'

Window of opportunity

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PH, Japan to enhance maritime security ties

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37 Pinoys to arrive from Syria

By Jerry E. Esplanada

THIRTY-SEVEN Filipinos in Syria will be repatriated by the government in the next two days, the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) announced yesterday.

This would bring to 1,771 the total number of Philippine nationals to be repatriated from the strife-torn Middle East country by a team led by the DFA. The other team members belong to the Department of Labor and Employment and the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration.

Citing a report of the Philippine Embassy in Damascus, the DFA said 27 repatriates, all overseas Filipino workers (OFWs), are expected to arrive at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport's Terminal 1 at 10:15 p.m. today on board Emirates Airlines flight EK 334.

In a statement, the DFA said 10 more Filipinos, including four children aged 8 to 15, are due to arrive in Manila tomorrow night.

The embassy in the Syrian capital is "intensifying its efforts to repatriate more Filipinos as violence continues in Syria," said the foreign office.

Earlier, the DFA said it would "continue the repatriation operations for as long as necessary in line with the third pillar of Philippine foreign policy—the protection of Filipino nationals overseas."

The embassy said crisis alert level 4 (mandatory evacuation) of OFWs, which the agency declared in December, is still in force in Syria.

Nearly 17,000 people have been killed in the Syrian uprising against the regime of President Bashar Assad.

Correction

IN THE JULY 7 ISSUE, a front-page story—"MMDA enlists Church help vs 'speed demons'"—misstated the name of the general manager of the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority. ...

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Joker: It's about time to amend Constitution

Miriam won't resign yet

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Endodontists hold induction

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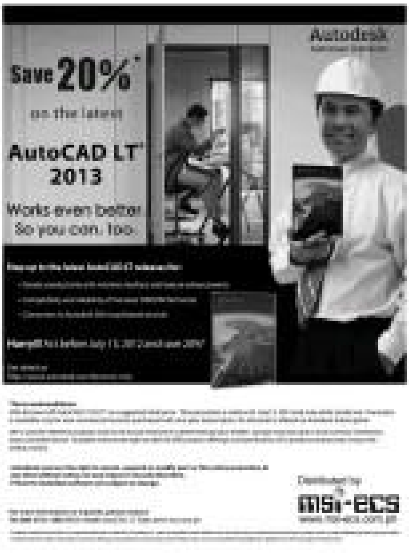
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Across the NATION

Dengue cases reach epidemic level in Iloilo province

Dutch buried; calls for justice ring out

APPEALS for justice rang out as more than 1,000 mourners buried Dutch development worker Wilhelmus JJ Lax Geertman in Aurora province on Sunday, five days after he was shot dead in an incident that the police tagged as robbery but which his colleagues and relatives suspected as a case of extrajudicial killing.

Contributions

Breakthrough seen in PH-MILF peace talks

Dutch buried

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OPINION

Safety meltdown

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Water firms illegally collecting fees

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Neal H. Cruz

A plague on both your houses

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Scapegoat for suspended National Artist process?

Fishers ask gov't to lift ban on catching young eels





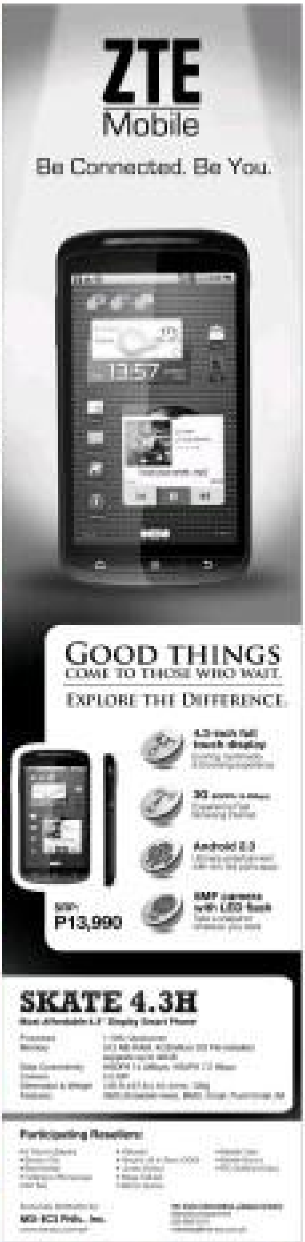
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Preventing extinction

Eels . . .







Quiet diplomacy worked for Cory, Joker reminds P-Noy


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Standoff with China

Selected few

Don't expect much

'That's for show'

Asean countries put in a dilemma over US-China rivalry

Balancing ties

US military power

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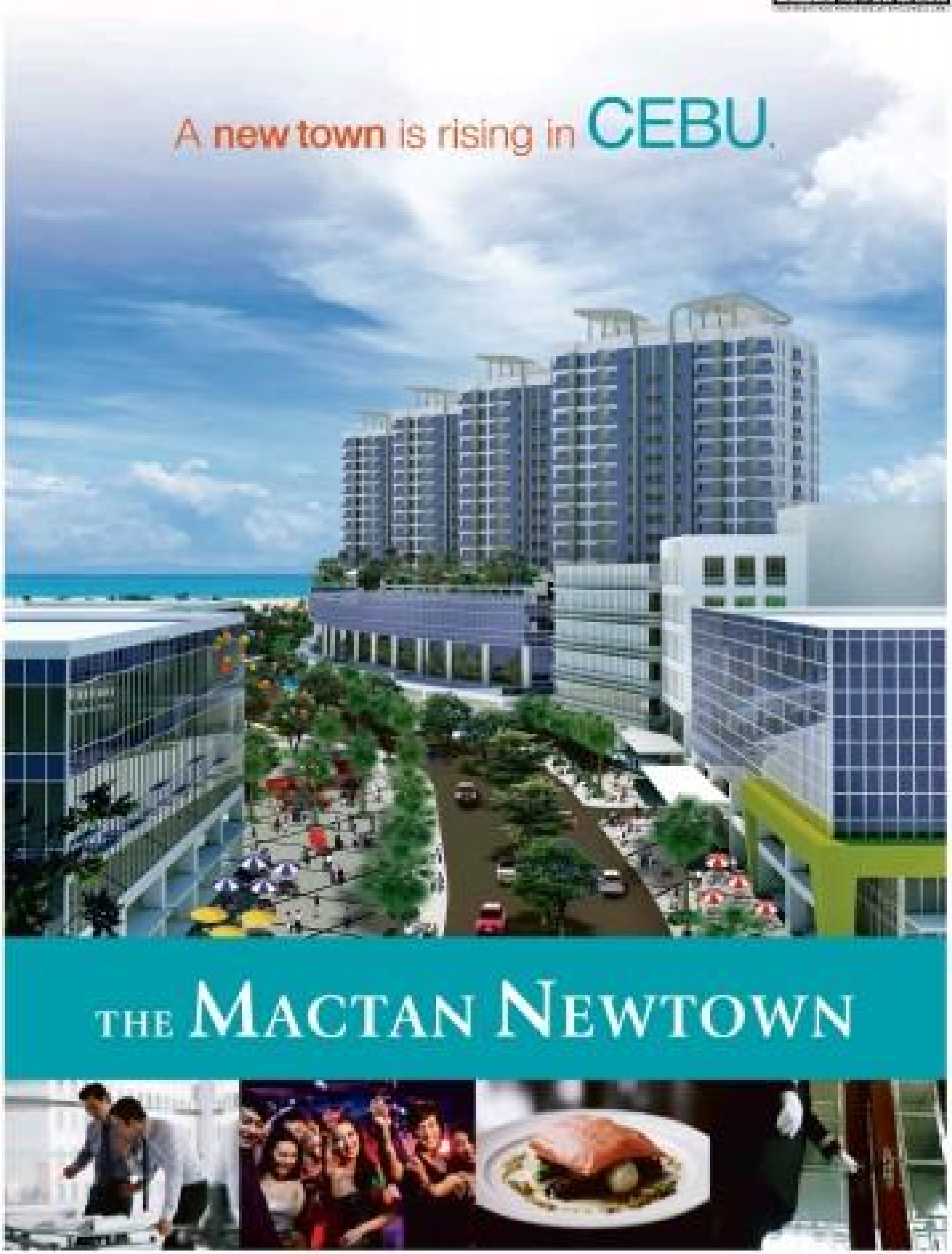
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Ginebra nips Petron on Jaworski's big night



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Aplus METRO
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Winning lotto prize of P25M turns skeptic trader into instant believer

IT TOOK 25 million reasons to change the mind of a man who did not believe that anyone could win the lotto jackpot.

After placing a bet on the urging of his sibling, a junk trader ended up



2011 COA REPORT FINDINGS

DVDs, goods seized by OMB open to theft

By Leila B. Salaverria

THE OPTICAL Media Board (OMB) needs to come up with a better way of handling, storing and accounting for the pirated DVDs, CDs and other goods it confiscates from vendors to prevent these from being stolen or pilfered.

This was the finding of the Commission of Audit (COA) which recently found out that some of the seized items were only being kept in the OMB's parking lot.

"We noted… that despite its long years in its pursuit of an economy that is free from optical media piracy, OMB does not have, as yet, written policies or [a] systems manual relative to the confiscation, accounting, handling and disposal of confiscated goods [to serve as a] guide for the agency's personnel and other accountable officers in their respective activities," the COA said in its 2011 report.

The OMB has been operating for 27 years, starting out as the Videogram Regulatory Board. The government agency is tasked to regulate the manufacture, replication, importation and exportation of optical media. It is also at the forefront of the fight against optical media piracy.

According to COA, the lack of guidelines has resulted in inconsistencies in record-keeping as well as lapses in the agency's handling and disposal of the seized items.

In response to the report, the OMB told the COA that its legal, administrative, and enforcement and investigation divisions had decided that its two custodians who are in charge of the inventory and the receipt of the seized items would be the source of all information on all its custodial operations.

COA cites deficiencies

In the 2011 report, the COA cited several examples of what it described as deficiencies in the OMB's handling of confiscated DVDs and other items.

One was that the discs were being kept in the agency's parking lot because there was no secure warehouse.

"This [lot], an open [area], thus, the goods are exposed to









'Let NCR-based ARMM voters register there'



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2nd petition filed by Barrameda slay suspect rejected



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Stick to the yellow lanes or else, MMDA warns bus drivers on Edsa

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DZRH to feature ex-rebs' success stories

Forum on happiness

DVDs, goods seized by OMB open to theft

From skeptic to believer



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Libyans brave violence to grasp first free election in 60 years

Madrid and Manila: Beyond the Myth

DIPLOMATIC POUCH

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Annan admits Syria failure; at least 60 killed

Romania under fire after president is suspended

Russia's Putin seeks answers over deadly floods

Donors offer $16-B Afghan aid at Tokyo conference



The World

Killer disease in Cambodia baffles experts

PHNOM PENH—It's not bird flu or SARS, and nor does it appear to be contagious, but little more is known about a mysterious disease that has killed dozens of Cambodian children, some within 24 hours of being hospitalized.

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Heat wave bakes US, buckles highways; 30 die in unrelenting heat

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PLDT, Smart CSR efforts foster nation-building

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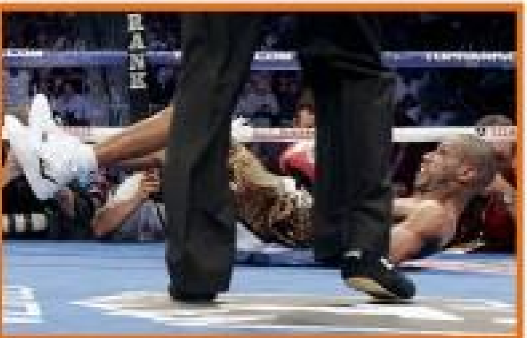
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■ Serena pockets 5th Wimby title /A30





Crowd-pleasing Arce next for Donaire

Filipino Flash fights again in October

By Marc Anthony Reyes

Peping: We will not be humiliated in Olympics

By June Navarro

Knights try to regroup against Blazers today

Big J's No. 7 retired in glitzy rites



Maningkil, Cardona top Milo run 2nd leg



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National batters dominate All-Star game





DLSU's Proto, TIP's Mileage snare Eco-marathon plums

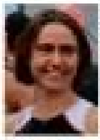
League leaders, beware the winless team



One Game at a Time

Kapunan, Clavecilla share senior golf honors

Banate, Senn Aboitiz Power Tour champs





Griffin, Iguodala make Olympic 5

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Sponsors keep Olympics alive

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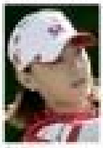
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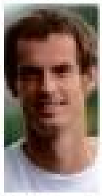
Korean fires 65, paces US Open by 6



Serena pockets 5th Wimby title

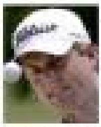


Murray has nation's hopes on his shoulders





Another bogey-free round gives Simpson 2-shot lead



Lithuania, Russia fives book tickets to London Olympics

BUSINESS

GMA 7 acquisition price seen at ₱52.5B

Unit of PLDT trust fund to get 80% stake in broadcast firm

By Doris C. Dumlao

BUSINESSMAN Manuel V. Pangilinan is moving closer to a deal to buy GMA Network Inc. (GMA 7) at an estimated price tag of ₱52.5 billion, potentially grabbing a leading market position in

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STOCK MARKET

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Weaker trading seen

Gov't plans to expand Clark airport project

By Paolo G. Montecillo



Mining EO pitfalls

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First airport, first airline

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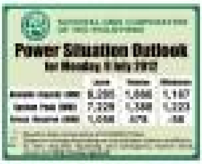
Feed-in tariffs crucial to viability of projects

Gov't plans



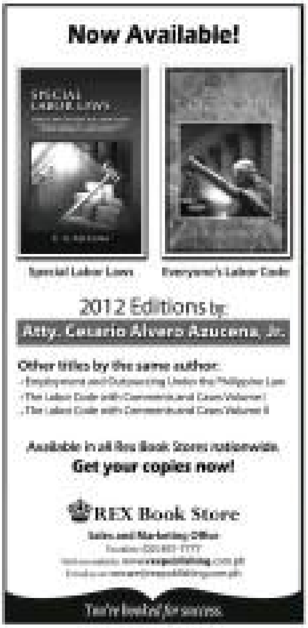














Tower 1 of The Grand Midori Makati almost complete, slated for turnover this year



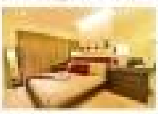


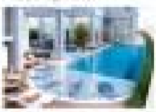
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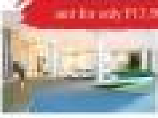


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BSP says PH deserves better rating

Investment grade seen under Moody's formula

By Michelle V. Remo

DESPITE recent favorable developments in the country's credit ratings, the Philippines remains the most under-rated economy in the world.

This was the view of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, which argued that with the existing economic indicators of the country, the Philippines should already be enjoying either the minimum investment grade or a rating that is a notch above the minimum.

BSP Deputy Governor Diwa Guinigundo cited a formula used by Moody's Investors Service in determining the appropriate credit score for a country.

"They [Moody's] have a formula incorporating factors like inflation, growth sustainability, fiscal position of the government, strength of the financial system, etc. Based on their own formula, they came out with a finding that there is a big difference between our [Philippines'] actual credit rating and the country's supposed credit rating," Guinigundo said.

The Philippines is rated Ba2, or two notches below investment grade, by Moody's Investors Service. Moody's raised the rating from three notches below investment grade last year, citing improvements in the country's economic indicators.

Guinigundo presented to reporters a chart from Moody's itself showing that the Philippines' "bond-implied rating" is Baa2, or four notches higher than the actual credit rating that it assigns to the country.

A "bond-implied rating," which reflects how the financial markets perceive the creditworthiness of a bond issuer, is calculated using the trading prices of bonds of the issuer versus prices of bonds of issuers in the same credit-rating category.

Guinigundo said the bond-implied rating showed that financial markets perceived the Philippines to be much creditworthy than other countries with the same credit rating. Alternatively, he said, creditworthiness of the Philippines was perceived by the markets to be the same as that of countries that were assigned investment grades.

"The market has recognized the potential of the [Philippine] economy to gear up its growth engines. It also reflects the market's view that the Philippine economy is less risk prone and more flexible against shocks—external and otherwise—that could come its way," Guinigundo said.

Meantime, Standard & Poor's last week raised the Philippines' credit rating from two to just a notch below investment grade. S&P's rating for the Philippines is now the same as that assigned by Fitch Ratings.

While the country's economic officials are happy with the developments, they continued to pitch for better credit ratings. Officials believed that an investment grade for the Philippines would help the country attract much needed foreign direct investments (FDIs).

Credit-rating firms, however, are agreed that the Philippines needed to do more to deserve an investment grade. They said that while some indicators might be favorable, others still needed improvement.

Commonly cited factors that dampen the country's creditworthiness are low per-capita income, high poverty incidence and governance structures that are discouraging to business.



Globe trumps PLDT in court

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A card for shopping and movie enthusiasts

By Doris C. Dumlao

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CITI Philippines' credit payment products head Bea Tan and Citi Philippines consumer business manager Sergio Zanetti

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More foreign investments expected to flow in

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Wall St. sees rising chance of QE3 from US Fed

Nervous investors disheartened by weak June jobs data

NEW YORK—Another month of weaker-than-expected US hiring has increased the chances of the Federal Reserve launching a new round of monetary stimulus to boost growth, a Reuters poll of Wall Street economists showed.

The medians of forecasts from 16 primary dealers—the large financial institutions that do business directly with the Fed—showed a 70 percent chance the central bank will for the third time expand its balance sheet via large-scale bond purchases.

The poll was conducted on Friday after the government said employers added 80,000 new jobs last month, short of market forecasts. The jobless rate stood at 8.2 percent.

In a Reuters poll conducted on June 20, the median forecast from 17 primary dealers predicted a 59-percent chance that the Fed would begin another round of purchases, known as quantitative easing, or QE3.

There are 21 US primary dealers.

David Resler, US economist at Nomura Securities, put the odds of more Fed action at 75 percent and said it could come as early as August.

"At this juncture, I think it's coming, primarily because the job market isn't improving enough to give the Fed sufficient comfort," he said.

In last week's poll, eight primary dealers expected the Fed to launch QE3 at Fed meetings in August or September, of whom two said it would probably be in August. Twelve saw it happening by the end of the year.

The Fed will hold policy meetings from July 31-Aug. 1 and from Sept. 12-13, with Chair Ben Bernanke scheduled to speak to reporters following the second one.

As Credit Suisse economists put it in a Friday note to clients, "The best argument for the Sept. 13 meeting is that a press conference is already scheduled... The best argument for Aug. 1 is, 'What are you waiting for?'"

Credit Suisse sees an 80 percent chance of QE3, according to the Reuters poll, with the announcement likely to come in September.

Some economists have suggested the approach of US elections could dissuade the Fed from acting. However, Bernanke has repeatedly said that the Fed stands ready to do more if economic conditions worsen.

In two prior rounds of QE, the Fed bought $2.3 trillion in mortgage-related and government debt in a bid to depress borrowing costs and inject life into the economy, which grew at a 1.9 percent rate in the first three months of 2012. *Reuters*

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Aurora Ong Yao

peacefully joined her Creator
on July 7, 2012 at the age of 75.

Her bereaved children: Jerry Ong Yao & Monica Milagros Carrasco Yao, Joseph Ong Yao & Azucena Go Liao Yao; Janet Yao Ong & Pua Suan Ong, Jocelyn Yao Co & Stefano Co; Jessica Yao Varin & Victor Varin; Jensen Ong Yao & Shelly Ong Yao; Jerbert Ong Yao & Brendalee Eva Yao; Joel Ong Yao & Sarah Jane D. Yao; Jerusalem Ong Yao & Lorna Ortega Yao; Jeramo Ong Yao & Ngo Song Sy Yao; Juliet Yao De Las Peñas & Edgardo De Las Peñas; grandchildren, relatives and friends request the pious readers to pray for the eternal repose of her soul.

Her remains lie in state at Chapel 1 of the Mortuary and Crematory of The Heritage Park, Bayani Road, Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City.

Interment will be at The Heritage Park, Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City on July 11, 2012, Wednesday after the 9:00 am Cremation.

Message of Thanks

We, the family of the late

JOANAHAN TAN SY

September 28, 1959 - July 1, 2012

express our heartfelt gratitude to those who condoled with us, offered Masses and prayers, sent flowers, cards and messages of sympathy, gave donations, visited and kept vigil, attended the funeral rites and memorial services, and who in countless ways helped and comforted us during our moments of bereavement.

Please continue to pray for his eternal repose in heaven.

"God be with you on your journey home.
We will miss you dearly."

Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.
Matthew 10:39

Elisa Zaguirre-Caballes



October 25, 1922 - July 04, 2012

Her husband Col. Mauro Caballes (†), her children Elena (†), Aida, Ivanes, Raul and Rudi, children-in-law, grandchildren and great-grandchildren request the pious readers to pray for the eternal repose of her soul.

Her remains lie in state at the Galaliano Room of St. Peter's Chapel, Quezon Avenue, Quezon City.

Interment will be on July 10, 2012 (Tuesday), 3:00 pm at the Ala-ala Memorial Park, Pagsanjan, Laguna.

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LEA Salonga

By Amor A. Jenkins

FOUR BRILLIANT actors, led by Lea Salonga, are pitted against each other as they play diametrically opposed characters hiding behind the façade of polite, forced smiles in the Tony Award-winning comedy "God of Carnage," on July 13-22, at the Carlos P. Romulo Auditorium, RCBC Plaza, Makati City.

"God of Carnage" is the English version of the play by French playwright Yasmina Reza. Staged on West End in 2008 and Broadway on 2009, the English version won the Olivier and Tony awards for Best New Play.

The American version transposes the original setting in Paris to Brooklyn, New York, where two couples attempt to sit together and resolve the playground clash between their sons, one of whom has lost two incisors during the fight.

At first behaving as adults, the couples try to [illegible]

The play, a production of [illegible] Productions (of Manila) and Singapore Repertory Theater, marks the return of Tony Award-winning actor Salonga in a straight, nonmusical play after 10 years.

"We're just playing the show as honestly as any of us can muster," Salonga said. "And, I guess, in being honest there are aspects in our personalities that come out. Even the most unsavory aspects of our personality [illegible] on the table."

The production also marks the reunion of Salonga and Singapore actor Adrian Pang. They had worked 12 years ago in the musical "They're Playing Our Song," mounted in Manila and Singapore.

Pang said coming back to the country was a pleasure since he'd be working again with Salonga.

"She's so easy to work with," he said. "She's very down-to-earth, easy-going, fun-loving—something she hasn't lost even through the years."

"Becoming a mom herself has grounded her," Pang added, referring to Salonga as mother to Nicole Beverly, born 2006. (Salonga married Japanese-Chinese-American Robert Charles Chien in 2004.)

Most intense

Salonga said the role would be the most intense she would have played so far.

"Everybody gets into a high level of intensity. It's edgy and it's fun. It's a very safe distance [illegible]

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Lea Salonga goes straight in 'God of Carnage'



CAST of "God of Carnage"

US pianist Raffi Kasparian to perform with son in Paoay recital

An old Josef Hoffman recording ignited his love for music

By Pablo A. Tariman
Contributor

Soul of piano

Proud father

Good home life



AMERICAN pianist Raffi Kasparian and son Roman



SINGAPOREAN conductor Lim Yau

More on 'Madama Butterfly'

Soprano Mako Nishimoto essayed Cio Cio San as if it were her second nature



FILIPINO tenor

Suicide aria

Benitez of Bayanihan to sit as jury in Istanbul dance festival


SUZIE Moya Benitez

SUZIE MOYA Benitez, trustee and executive director of Bayanihan Folk Arts Foundation, sits as juror for the 13th Büyükçekmece Culture and Arts Festival and competition this month, the first Filipino to be invited to sit on the jury.

The festival gathers dancers from Europe, Asia, America and Africa, and serves as venue where different cultures and arts are exhibited and friendships forged. Many famous artists and dancers have joined the festival since its organization in 2000.

Bayanihan, the national folk dance company of the Philippines under the stewardship of Benitez, was adjudged the Grand Prize winner at the 7th Gold Bridge Folk Dance Competition Premier Group of Folk Dance during the 8th Büyükçekmece Culture and Arts Festival. Its choreographer, Ferdinand Jose, bagged the Best Choreography award.

Büyükçekmece is on the European side and the western coastal strip of Istanbul.

More on 'Madama Butterfly'

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Revolution

Camille Lopez was a revelation! Although she had correctly redirected her voice out of its mezzo world a long time ago and now sings as a lyric soprano, she intelligently sang her role out and showed keen versatility, coloring her top as well as low notes to show an appropriate mezzo texture.

She forged tight rapport with the other singers in the ensemble numbers marking her singing with genuine charm. She ensured her brief solo parts, and treated her duo and trio with utmost elegance in consideration of the other voices to bring out the ensemble's striking balance.

Her duet with Cio-Cio San in "[illegible]" was the best ensemble: comfortable, and well balanced. Throughout, she was ever mindful not to vocally upstage the Japanese soprano.

Juan [illegible], whose vocal chest was more palpable than Pinkerton's, portrayed well the character role of Goro.

At the pit was the Singaporean conductor, Lim Yau, who did an admirable job. He turned his baton decisively and elicited out brilliant, soaring tones; in fact, more legato than the singers on stage.

Francisco Feliciano, himself an opera composer, was musical director.

The rest of the cast, including the chorus, the UP Manila Chorale, contributed to the success of the production.

Those who worked behind the scenes deserved the same accolade: Pat Valera, assistant director/dramaturgy/video design; Daniel Campos, assistant to the director; Allan Stevens, technical director; [illegible], set and costume designer; John Batalla, lights designer; and Shoko Matsumoto, lights design consultant. Bravo!

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What happened to Duero Church in Bohol?

A PICTURE is worth a thousand words. In the picture, see what happened to Duero Church.

Duero Church in Bohol is the only church from the Spanish colonial period built totally of wood. The polychroming (hand painting) of its interior walls was outstanding.

For those reasons, it could have been declared a National Cultural Treasure, which would have put it on the select list of cultural sites proper here of the Philippines.

But with what has been done to the church, all of its character, uniqueness and special identity have been vanished away together with its chance for national recognition and possible access to conservation funds.

Are there laws to prevent this sort of thing, the obliteration of heritage, from happening?



Pride of Place

Augusto F. Villalon

RA 10066, the Cultural Heritage Law, protects structures of national importance. Duero Church would so obviously have fallen into protected classification specified by the law, and, therefore, the travesty that happened should not have been.

Sad to say, there are many other travesties of this nature that go unrecognized and unrecorded. There are many structures that once were very special heritage sites like Duero Church that "well-meaning" but what is in actuality totally insensitive remodeling has down-graded into a bland shadow of what they used to be.

The thing about heritage is that once it goes away it almost always never comes back. It's gone forever.

Fr[illegible] happened to have visited the church recently and took this picture that says it all.

Feedback is invited at [illegible]



DUERO Church altar after



DUERO Church altar before



TUBAY dedicated to the promotion of Lamitan's Bulingan Falls



LAMITEÑOS at the parade



YOUNG Yakan recites part of the Koran during graduation rites

Lamitan in Basilan holds festival to celebrate cultural harmony

By Louie G. Robles
Contributor

THINGS have become better for Lamitan in Basilan since the siege in 2001. It seems to have recovered from the incident and a host of socio-economic problems it suffered in the past.

And as a sign that it's on the road to recovery, Lamitan celebrated the 25th Lami-lamihan festival on June 23-27. Theme was "Getting better through preservation of culture despite obstacles."

Lami-lamihan is an annual festivity in the city that showcases the rich culture of the Yakan tribe. It also honors the founder of Basilan, Pedro Jaime Cuevas, also known as Datu Kalun.

To honor the founder, the local government of Basilan visited Datu Kalun's grave and conducted a floral offering at Datu Kalun Park.

Lami-lamihan means "merry-making" in Yakan. The festival has been named as such because it celebrates peace and harmony among the Yakan, Tausugs, Muslims and Christians.

Lamitan calls itself City of Harmony.

"This festival gathers the Yakan tribe along with other people who are all Lamiteños," said Rose Furigay, wife of the mayor of Lamitan City. "This is proof that Lamitan is as peaceful as other places in the Philippines."

As part of conserving their culture, a Yakan traditional music competition was held. Participants were required to use native instruments such as gabbang, agung and kulintang.

A contest for traditional Yakan songs such as "Nahana," "Sunbullike," "Kata-kata" and "Ind" was held, as well as competition for traditional Yakan dances like Pangalay and Tumahik.

Yakan weavers were given a chance to exhibit their skills in weaving and at the same time showcase their creations. A bazaar was set up to market woven products and native items.

People who joined the festival also witnessed a Yakan wedding and the graduation of Madaris students of the Koran, the Islamic bible.



UNANG Abalu



INTERMISSION number using Yakan musical instruments



NCCA Commissioner on Cultural Heritage Regalado Trota Jose and Commissioner on Cultural Dissemination Alice Palanca join the feast of the prayed-in rice after the floral offering to Datu Kalun



YAKAN weaver shows her audience the patterns of the Pinsa Ulika

Living treasure

Aside from their traditional music and dances, Basilan takes pride in Uwang Ahadas, a Yakan artist recognized by the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) as a National Living Treasure.

Ahadas is a musician who utilizes native instruments such as the gabbang, agung and kwintangan kayu.

At a young age, he and his siblings were taught how to play these instruments. By the time Ahadas reached 20, he had mastered the kwintangan, the most important Yakan musical instrument.

Because of his magnificent talent, he has broken ethnic tradition and plays both the kwintangan, which is traditionally an instrument for the women, and the agung, for the men.

Despite being near-blind, Ahadas still continues to educate the people about the music and tradition of Basilan.

In 2000, the NCCA awarded Ahadas the Gawad Manlilikha ng Bayan (Gamaba), the National Folk Artist Award.

After the storm

In 2001, Lamitan made news around the world as terrorist group Abu Sayyaf occupied the Dr. Jose Torres Memorial Hospital and St. Peter's Church, bringing with them the tourists they had kidnapped from Dos Palmas Resort in Palawan.

Since then, the city has exerted effort to erase the stigma of the incident.

Lamitan banks on its tourist sites to reform its image. Its natural wonders include Bulingan Falls, Mandom Sites and Malo-ong Canal.

Also, the city showcases its tradition and history through Kalun Shrine, its museum of Yakan culture.

The festival this year was graced by NCCA commissioners Regalado Trota José and Alice Palanca.

Along with the Lami-lamihan festival, the city also held the 76th parochial fiesta in honor of St. Peter the Apostle, patron saint of Lamitan.



Wifi contemporary dance fest urges everyone, 'Aspire to dance'

By Walter Ang



Workshops, conferences

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Glenn Miller in content and context

By Benito J. Legarda Jr.

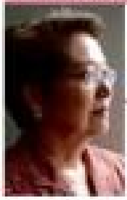


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Shang holds Japan film fest, Saturday Group exhibit



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Artists protest ouster of Deanna Ongpin-Recto from French cultural agency



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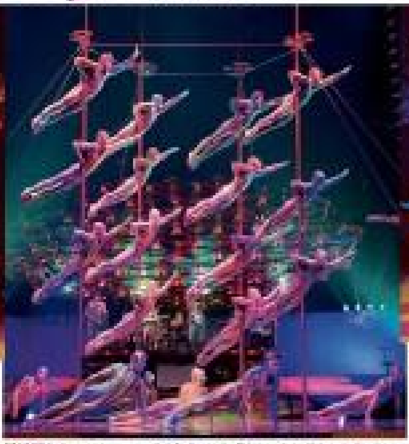
At UST Archives, Queen Sofia checked with interest ancient documents in "baybayin," the pre-Hispanic Filipino syllabary







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Cirque du Soleil's signature show comes to Manila

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In her visit, Queen Sofia scores a goal worthy of a World Cup



THE QUEEN at the UST Miguel de Benavides Park, with UST Rector Fr. Herminio Dagohoy and Social Welfare Secretary Dinky Soliman



TOASTING Philippine-Spain friendship with President Aquino in Malacañang.

> The visit was a success by all measures, with the Philippines reaffirming its indestructible Spanish heritage



VISITING Escuela Taller in Intramuros.



WAVING to crowd at the University of Santo [illegible]

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40th year of martial-law declaration triggers artistic outpouring


"TUNOK sa Dalan," by Nunelucio Alvarado





By Alyssa J. Rebillos
Contributor

IN MATRIMONIAL matters, the ruby marks a couple's 40th year since tying the knot.

In Philippine history, 2012 marks the 40th anniversary of the proclamation of martial law, and the gem's blood-red tinge is the ideal allusion to the human-rights atrocities that took place during the authoritarian rule of Ferdinand Marcos.

If only because of the dark episode, the people, especially artists, are perennially bound to remember it.

Citing "clear and present danger" posed by enemies of the state, Marcos issued Proclamation 1081 on Sept. 21, 1972, and put the country under martial law. Thus ensued the dark years of the dictatorship which became a rich mine for artistic rumination and powerful pieces by Filipino artists.

"Art has always reflected society and the conditions in which people live, at the same time that it has contributed to the process of social and historical change," art critic and historian Alice Guillermo said. "During the Marcos regime, an observed cultural phenomenon was the emergence development of protest art in various forms."

Historical awareness

To raise historical awareness about martial law, especially among the younger generation, the Liongoren Gallery and the Center for Art, New Ventures and Sustainable Development (Canvas) have organized the exhibit "ReCollection 1081: Clear and Present Danger (Visual Dissent on Martial Rule)," which opens on July 14, 4 p.m., at the Cultural Center of the Philippines' (CCP) Bulwagang Juan Luna and Pasilyo Guillermo Tolentino.

The exhibit is part of Pighati, a series of art events in the CCP to mark the 40th anniversary of the declaration of martial law.

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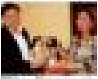
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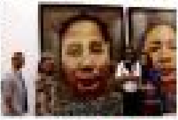

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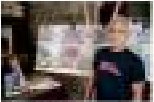












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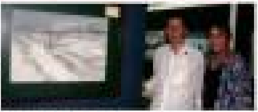






Wong Shui Loong's 50 years of watercolors





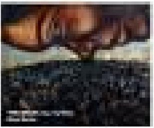




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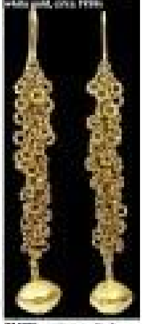






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Jewelry designer wins NCCA, international awards



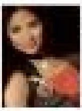
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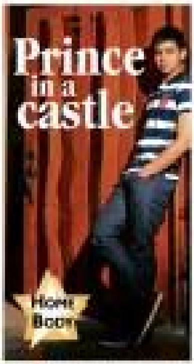
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Humble beginnings

SARAH Geronimo in Inside Showbiz mag's July issue, on her humble beginnings: "I used to look for coins in the ... of our house so I could go to school. I also worked ... because I ... paid my tuition."

HEARD



KAPUSO actor welcomes guests to their QC home

Teen star and youth ambassador Derrick Monasterio regards his home as a sanctuary from the hustle and bustle of the biz

By Bayani San Diego Jr.
Photos by Andrew Tadalan

GMA 7 TEEN star Derrick Monasterio doesn't mind living in a household of women—that is, his mom, former actress Tina Monasterio; sisters Mary Hazel and Janna Allyson; and niece Audrey.

Attic bedroom

Peace offering



ITALIAN living room set and other pieces from Pampanga



DINING room with a view of the pocket garden

Prince in a castle

From page G1



BABY Jesus image is made of ivory.



GRANDFATHER clock is a gift from Daria Ramirez.



SOUVENIRS from all over inside the cabinet

Mom as mason

Mom practically built the three-story family home with her own hands.

"I did the masonry work," she related. "I molded the accent pieces on the walls. I've always loved stone and wood." She used bricks from her old home, she said. She wanted the façade to look like a European castle.

She pored over interior design magazines and allowed her imagination to run wild. "I saw the grillwork in a magazine. Same with the façade. I just modified it a bit."

The overall concept is Spanish country with a twist. She said: "It's not really modern, not Mediterranean. It's unconventional."

As unique as the rest of the house is the kitchen—a burst of warm, vibrant colors. "I painted the kitchen in gold and yellow," said Tina.

Strewn all over the kitchen are mementos from her and Derrick's travels—ceramic figurines and other trinkets from Europe and the United States.

She filled the house with lots of potted plants. "My favorite color is green," she explained. "I want to feel close to nature, though we are in the middle of the city."

Tina created a cozy pocket garden just beside the dining area. "It's relaxing," she pointed out. "While eating, we can gaze at the garden and the mini waterfall."

Decorative pieces

The furniture in the living room are from the collection of Derrick's grandmother. "Most of the furniture pieces are from Pampanga," said Tina. "I picked an Italian-style set."

The decorative pieces are small finds. The grandfather clock in the living room was given "a long time ago" by Tina's contemporary, actress Daria Ramirez. "She's a good friend," Tina said.

Several antique pieces in the attic, mostly religious images, were handed down from her late mother, Lydia. Tina said: "The Sto. Niño is made of ivory, as is the statue of Our Lady of Manaoag. That one of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is older than I am."

The Japanese umbrellas in the attic are likewise gifts from her mom.

Tina said the house—which stands on a 263 square meter lot that she acquired in 1979, long before Derrick was born—is the product of her earnings from a five-year stint in show business.

"I was very lucky because my mom encouraged me to invest my talent fees in real estate," she said.

Talent scout

It was Derrick's mom who discovered his potential as a performer when he was six years old.

"He sang along with the radio and I noticed that his voice had a good timbre," Tina recounted.

When he was in fourth grade, his teachers urged him to join Claret School's Filipinas Boys Choir. Derrick traveled with the choir to China and Austria with mom as chaperone.

When he recently flew to Switzerland (for a concert with Sarah Lahbati) and the United States (for the premiere of Yam Laranas' "The Road"), he was again accompanied by mom.

"He was so young," Tina pointed out, "he's quite well-traveled."

After the show in Switzerland, Derrick, Tina, Sarah and the rest of the team proceeded to Paris. Mother and son bought lots of souvenirs, including refrigerator magnets.

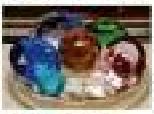
Derrick had been excited about the US trip because it allowed him to reconnect with his American dad. "They got to talk," said Tina.



DERRICK watches mom's old movies on cable. "She inspires me to do well to show her."



KITCHEN with a country theme



MOM'S crystal collection

His inspiration

Tina was a movie actress in the 1970s. She appeared in action films that starred the late Fernando Poe Jr. "I was in 'Batas sa Bulungalit,' 'Nagbabagang Asero' and 'Bamundar Ulupong.' My last movie was 'Hilda,' which was also directed by Pure in 2002," she said.

Derrick gets to watch mom's old movies on cable and she has become his inspiration. "I want to do well as an actor," he said. "I want my mom to be proud of me."

He also recalled how hard his mom worked as a barangay councilman from 2002 to 2010. Tina said it was good that her kids were exposed to socio-civic work early on as she had worked from home.

Derrick was recently chosen by the National Youth Commission to serve as Youth Ambassador. The honor will be conferred on him this month in Malacañang. He sees this as the perfect birthday gift—he turns 17 on Aug. 1.

He credits his mom for raising him well and making sure he learns from her own take in the biz.

"I share my experience with him," Tina volunteered. "I don't want him to grow up spoiled just because he is earning his own money."

Just a regular guy

At home, Derrick is a regular teener, said mom. "He can be naughty," she admitted. "He's a Leo—just like me—but he is generally well-behaved."

In fact, he is his mom's son and they share a number of qualities. "Sometimes he's quiet, sometimes he's talkative. He's moody, too," Tina said.

He's a foodie as well. "He loves to cook and eat," mom said. "His favorite restaurant is Red Crab."

She proudly pointed out that Derrick can cook and is not entirely clueless about other household chores. "He cooks his own food. He irons his own clothes."

Currently home-schooled, Derrick said he wants to take up Culinary Arts after high school. "I want a course that's not stressful," he explained. "In any case, I'm into cooking. I want to be like [Junior Entrepreneur] Marvin Agustin, who owns several restaurants."

Fit and fab

Derrick has become conscious about his looks and is sticking to a diet. "From three plates of rice, I went down to half-a-cup in no

TURN TO G4



BEST new TV actor from Star Awards 2011 for "Tween Hearts"



CHUBBY tot was a choir boy



THE KID excelled in school.



BLUE and white bedroom in the attic is his refuge.



AN ENTIRE bedroom was converted into the dressing room.



LITTLE Mermaid figure is from grandma Lydia's collection



POCKET garden is teeming with potted plants.



SOUVENIR items in the kitchen

Prince . . .

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CHINA cabinet with grandma's collection

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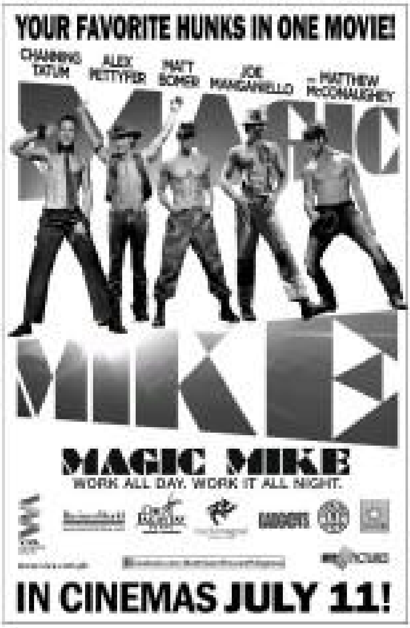
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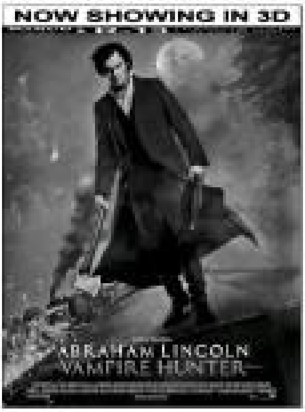
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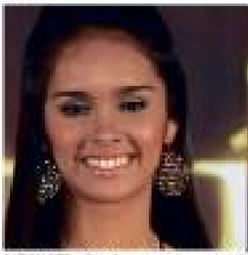


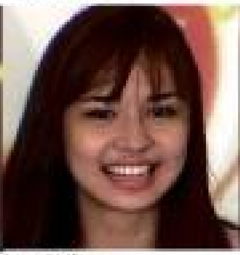













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KAPUSO head Felipe L. Gozon discards the monopoly issue.

Will a TV5-GMA 7 merger be legal?

Lawyers give expert opinions

By Rayani San Diego Jr.

SPEAKING hypothetically, Kapuso head Felipe L. Gozon maintained that there is nothing illegal about two networks like GMA 7 and TV5 joining forces.

For months now, rumors have been circulating about TV5 boss Manny V. Pangilinan's interest to purchase GMA 7.

Although both parties have since denied reports of a sale, the question remains: Will a merger be legal?

Two scenarios

During a press briefing, Gozon remarked that he didn't see anything the matter with it. He explained two things could happen—a merger or a consolidation—if a sale pushed through.

"In a consolidation, only one company survives. In a merger, unless the plan calls for the dissolution of a merging company, the merging companies continue to exist."

Two companies can have one set of officers, he noted. "We are doing that now with GMA News TV. In certain positions, GMA News TV has its own officers, but when it comes to other top posts, there's only one set of officials. It saves a lot of money."

A merger of the two networks isn't unconstitutional, either, said Gozon, a lawyer by profession.

"I don't think that the [illegible] monopoly issue will be raised here," he said. "Luckily ABS-CBN is still a strong competitor. That was what happened with [illegible] company? [illegible] helped a protest against the acquisition of Sun by Pangilinan's Smart."

Good second

Should the merger of GMA 7 and TV5 push through, Gozon added, "ABS-CBN will be a good second... unlike years before when GMA 7 was a poor second. But we eventually caught up with them."

In 2002, he recalled, GMA 7 signed a memorandum of agreement selling the network to Media Quest, a company owned by Pangilinan (and which now runs TV5).

"But for reasons beyond MVP's control, the transaction didn't push through," Gozon recounted. "I understand his predicament and didn't raise a fuss."

Other companies have since expressed interest in GMA 7, he said. "But GMA 7 has grown remarkably since 2002. The price given to Media Quest at the time was only a fraction of the network's worth now."

Another view

The Inquirer consulted another lawyer on the issue.

[illegible] Ruiz, senior associate in Alonso and Associates and writer for the show "Legal Forum" on GMA News TV, shared her expert view.

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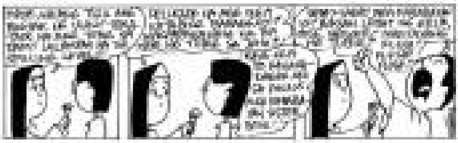


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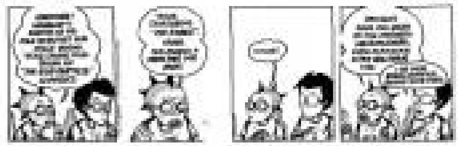
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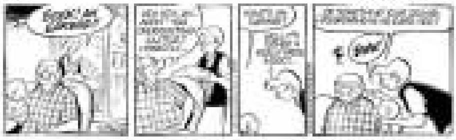


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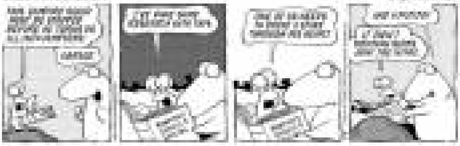
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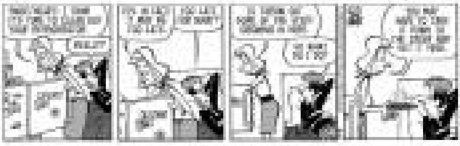
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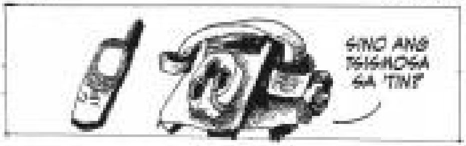


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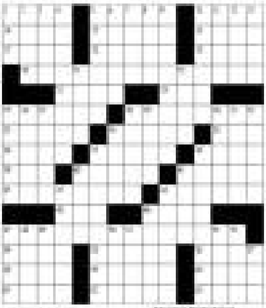
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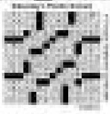
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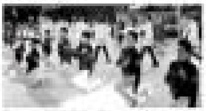
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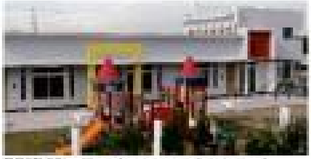
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